

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Kindly amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the second paragraph beginning on page 1 and ending on page 2 with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--This application is related to United States Patent Application Serial No. [[ / ]] 09/768,077, entitled *Intelligent Network and Method for Providing Voice Telephony over ATM and Private Address Translation*, docket no. RIC00015, and named John K. Gallant, Thomas Glenn Hall, Jr., and Steven R. Donovan as joint inventors; United States Patent Application Serial No. [[ / ]] 09/768,070, entitled *Intelligent Network and Method for Providing Voice Telephony over ATM and Alias Addressing*, docket no. RIC00019, and named John K. Gallant as inventor; United States Patent Application Serial No. [[ / ]] 09/768,068, entitled *Intelligent Network and Method for Providing Voice Telephony over ATM*, docket no. RIC00018, and named John K. Gallant, Thomas Glenn Hall, Jr., and Robert H. Barnhouse as joint inventors; United States Patent Application Serial No. [[ / ]] 09/768,069, entitled *Intelligent Network and Method for Providing Voice Telephony over ATM and Point-to-Multipoint Connectivity*, docket no. RIC00025, and named Thomas Glenn Hall, Jr. as inventor; and United States Patent Application Serial No. [[ / ]] 09/766,943, entitled *Intelligent Policy Server System and Method for Bandwidth Control in an ATM Network*, docket no. RIC00016, and named John K. Gallant, Thomas Glenn Hall, Jr. and Steven R. Donovan as joint inventors; all filed on January 22, 2001, and all of which are hereby incorporated by reference for all purposes.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 29, line 10 and ending on page 30, line 1 with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--After the ingress MSCP 108 confirms, by analyzing the value of the VToA designator, that an SVC for VToA is requested, the ingress MSCP 108 may perform any of a variety of advanced telephony functions to provide VToA services and features as desired or requested. If a VToA

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designator is not found by the MSCP 108 during setup, an ATM data call may be assumed. The ingress MSCP 108 may provide any of a variety of advanced telephony functions to provide VToA services and features. Example of some of these services and features include Default Calling Party Number Handling ("DCH"), Source Address Validation ("SAV"), Customer Port Maximum Call Attempt Rate Limit ("CMR"), Closed User Group ("CUG"), Destination Address Screening ("DAS"), Source Address Screening ("SAS"), Customer Port Maximum Burst Size Limit ("~~CMDS~~" "CMBS"), Customer Port Aggregate Bandwidth Limit ("CBW"), Customer Port Maximum Concurrent Calls in Progress Limit ("CMC"), Private Address Translation ("PAT"), Customer Port Service Class Selection ("CSCS"), and Point-to-Multipoint, Root-Initiated Connections ("P2MR"). Preferably, most of the intelligent network features and processing are performed at the ingress MSCP 108. In some cases, such as, for example, PAT, additional intelligent networking service or feature processing must be performed at other locations, such as the egress MSCP 116.--

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Please replace the first paragraph on page 36 with the following rewritten paragraph:

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-- The service administration 306 is capable of provisioning the MSCP 304, and in some embodiments, the ASIP 302. The service administration 306 may control or synchronize multiple MSCPs to ensure that data or information in various MSCPs of the ATM network are coordinated and consistent.--

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Please replace the first complete paragraph on page 41 with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--A user group may be viewed or thought of as being a member of a closed user group. In a preferred embodiment, the number of memberships that a user group can have in various closed user groups is limited. For example, the number of memberships a user group ~~may have~~ may be limited to five memberships in different closed user groups. It should be understood, however, that this limit may be established at virtually any threshold or removed altogether. In such a view of a user group, each membership of a user group may be thought of as containing a set, pair, or combination of values such as a (i) closed user group identifier, and (ii) a privilege set,

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which is discussed more fully below. This view of a user group is shown in FIGURE 6 and is discussed more fully below in connection therewith.

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